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Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)

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The amendment document filed on <u>04 October 2007</u> is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 or 1.4. In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following item(s) is required.

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| THE FOLLOWING MARKED (X) ITEM(S) CAUSE THE AMENDMENT DOCUMENT TO BE NON-COMPLIANT: 1. Amendments to the specification: B. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markings. B. New paragraph(s) should not be underlined. C. Other |
| ☐ 2. Abstract: ☐ A. Not presented on a separate sheet. 37 CFR 1.72. ☐ B. Other |
| □ 3. Amendments to the drawings: □ A. The drawings are not properly identified in the top margin as "Replacement Sheet," "New Sheet," or □ "Annotated Sheet" as required by 37 CFR 1.121(d). □ B. The practice of submitting proposed drawing correction has been eliminated. Replacement drawings showing amended figures, without markings, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 are required. □ C. Other |
| ▲ A. Amendments to the claims: |
| 5. Other (e.g., the amendment is unsigned or not signed in accordance with 37 CFR 1.4): |

For further explanation of the amendment format required by 37 CFR 1.121, see MPEP § 714.

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 entire corrected amendment must be resubmitted.
- 2. Applicant is given one month, or thirty (30) days, whichever is longer, from the mail date of this notice to supply the correction, if the non-compliant amendment is one of the following: a preliminary amendment, a non-final amendment (including a submission for a request for confinued examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114), a supplemental amendment filed within a suspension period under 37 CFR 1.103(a) or (c), and an amendment filed in response to a Quayle action. If any of above boxes 1. to 4. are checked, the correction required is only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121.

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